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Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary

Application No.

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Examiner

Pramila Parthasarathy

Art Unit

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All Participants:

(1) Pramila Parthasarathy.

(2) Ron Rudder.

Status of Application: _____

(3) _____.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 7 March 2006

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description: _____

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

35 USC 112

Claims discussed:

18, 19, 35, 36 and 43

Prior art documents discussed:

NONE

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner suggested to include "by a ballot monitor" in the "analyzing the acceptance test results to determine a preferred response..." and to incorporate the limitation of Claim 43 into Claim 19. Applicants have agreed and authorized the Examiner to amend the claims 18 and 19..